MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : May I know from th[illegible]e member whether there is scope for appointing more Musalmans in con[illegible]-nection with the Settlement work ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That depend[illegible]s upon whether he wants more hands. We have no definite inform[illegible]a-ation on that point.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : Is it a fact that 3[illegible]7 new appointments are going to be made ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is no[illegible] for the Settlement Office. That is for the Jenmikaram Office.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : May I know why the Mahomedan applicant was not entertained ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I cannot give any special reason. The appointments were almost entirely made from people who had experience in revenue work.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) Am I to understand that the Mahomedan applicant had no experience in the Revenue Department ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I cannot say.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : Is he not a Travancore born subject of His Highness the Maha Raja ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : May I know the ground on which the application was rejected ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : As I said, the Special Officer wants men who had some experience in revenue work.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : Am I to understand that the particular applicant had no experience ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I have no information from which I can give an answer.

Vernacular Middle School for Girls, Nedumangad.

53.* MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of Vernacular Middle Schools for Girls in Nedumangad taluk ;

(*b*) whether the Vernacular Middle School for Girls at Nedumangad is not held in a rented building ;

(*c*) whether the Education Department has not acquired a new site for the construction of a new building for the said school ; and

(*d*) whether there is any idea of constructing a new building for the school in the near future.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : (*a*) One.

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(*b*) and (*c*). The answers are in the affirmative.

(*d*) Yes, if funds permit.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member the amount allotted ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No estimate has been prepared this year.

MR. S. J NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether there is any probability of getting an estimate very early ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I cannot say whether it can be had very early, but it will be prepared as early as possible.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the amount of rent that is now being paid for the building ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Rs. 20 per mensem.

MR S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether it is not a loss for the Government ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): That is a matter of opinion,

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether there is sufficient strength for the school ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): In the lower classes, yes; in the 6th and 7th classes, the strength is less than the required minimum.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the time that will be necessary for completing the construction of the proposed building?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Funds have not yet been provided ?

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether there is any possibility of providing funds ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, if funds permit.

Recruitment of teachers from aided schools.

54. ***MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of teachers recruited in the Government schools from the aided schools during the years 1105, 1106 and 1107 ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Four-

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): May I know from the member during which year those four were appointed ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Three in 1106 and one in 1107,

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